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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6375 NOTE PREPARED: Dec 11, 2012

BILL NUMBER: HB 1062 BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Storm Water Fees.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Bacon BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: GENERAL IMPACT: Local

DEDICATED FEDERAL

<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> The bill provides that, subject to the approval of the county executive, the board of directors of a department of storm water management (board) may exempt property owned by certain individuals from the assessment and collection of storm water fees.

It requires the board to establish a procedure to apply for the exemption.

Effective Date: July 1, 2013.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues: The bill will not affect the total collections for storm water management. However, the bill could shift taxes from elderly, blind, or disabled homeowners to other homeowners who do not receive a property tax deduction within the storm water management district.

<u>Background:</u> The 2011 State Board of Accounts report index shows audit reports for 26 storm water utilities. In 2011 Pay 2012, there were 183,959 elderly, blind, or disabled property tax deductions taken. There are no data available to indicate the location of the tax deduction recipients within or outside of the existing storm

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water utility taxing districts.

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected: Storm water utilities.

<u>Information Sources:</u> State Board of Accounts, 2011 audit report filings.

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